

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A method for the management of data, comprising the steps of :
  - several data retrieval steps, a subset of data being retrieved at each retrieval step;
  - a step for the conversion of the subset of retrieved data into a language of interoperability in the form of an elementary file, the conversion step being performed after each retrieval step;
  - a step for the edition of a general file in a language of interoperability from several elementary files, the general file being designed for an external system capable of processing all the retrieved sets of data transmitted to the general file.
2. The method for the management of data according to claim 1, wherein the elementary file is a sub-sequence of commands, and the general file is a sequence of commands, these commands being designed for the parametrization and/or control of external electronic devices.
3. The method for the management of data according to claim 1 wherein the data retrieval step comprises the entry of data by a user or the transmission of the data by a source device.
4. The method for the management of data according to claim 1 wherein, during the data retrieval step, the data is retrieved in a formsheet predetermined as a function of the type of data to be retrieved.
5. The method for the management of data according to claim 3, wherein the retrieval step comprises the formatting, by the source device, of the data according to the retrieval formsheet before the data is transmitted.
6. The method for the management of data according to claim 1 wherein the language of interoperability is XML or one of its variants, or associated with the Java language.
7. A system for the management of data, comprising:
  - an interface enabling the retrieval of data;
  - at least one converter of retrieved data into a language of interoperability in the form of an elementary file, a converter being connected to each interface;
  - means for the edition of a general file in a language of interoperability from several elementary files, the means of edition being connected to each of the data converters at least on at specific points in time; and

an output designed to be connected to an external system to which the general file will be transmitted.

8. The system for the management of data according to the above claim, implementing the method of data management according to claim 1.

9. The system for the management of data according to claim 7, comprising means of storage in which there are stored several use rights, one or more users and/or source devices and the associated use rights, several data entry formsheets and the associated use rights.

10. The system for the management of data according to claim 8, comprising means of storage in which there are stored several use rights, one or more users and/or source devices and the associated use rights, several data entry formsheets and the associated use rights.

11. The system for the management of data according to claim 9, wherein either the interface or the edition means comprise storage means.

12. The system for the management of data according to claim 10, wherein either the interface or the edition means comprise storage means.

13. The system for the management of data according to claim 7, wherein the interface comprises:

an entry device enabling data to be introduced by a user or transmitted by a source device, and/or a display device; and

means for the control of the display and entry devices and storage means displaying, as a function of the use rights associated with the user or with the source device working on the system, the formsheet having the same associated use rights in which the data is retrieved.

14. The system for the management of data according to claim 11, wherein the interface comprises:

an entry device enabling data to be introduced by a user or transmitted by a source device, and/or a display device; and

means for the control of the display and entry devices and storage means displaying, as a function of the use rights associated with the user or with the source device working on the system, the formsheet having the same associated use rights in which the data is retrieved.

15. The system for the management of data according to claim 7, wherein the interface and the converter are co-located and/or portable,

and/or the means for the edition of a general file are de-located relative to the interfaces and to the converters and/or are portable.

16. The system for the management of data according to claim 11, wherein the interface and the converter are co-located and/or portable, and/or the means for the edition of a general file are de-located relative to the interfaces and to the converters and/or are portable.

17. The system for the management of data according to claim 7, comprising at least one input connected to the means for the edition of a general file and designed to be connected to an elaborate source device, the elaborate source device transmitting at least one elementary file in an interoperability language to the means of edition of a general file through this input.

18. The system for the management of data according to claim 12, comprising, at least one input connected to the means for the edition of a general file and designed to be connected to an elaborate source device, the elaborate source device transmitting at least one elementary file in an interoperability language to the means of edition of a general file through this input.

19. The data-processing chain comprising a system for the management of data according to claim 7, comprising an external system comprising an analysis device capable of processing all the sets of retrieved data transmitted in the general file.

20. The data-processing chain according to claim 19, wherein the analysis device is capable of generating a file in an interoperability language comprising commands for final devices corresponding to the commands and/or parameters of the elementary files, modified or not modified as a function of the other data contained in the general file.